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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 Twelfth Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554 Ex Parte

Re: Confidential Information included pursuant to Protective Order in the Matter of the Verizon Telephone Companies Tariff FCC Nos. 1, 11, 14, and 16, Transmittal 226, WC Docket No. 02-317

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Friday, December 6,2002, Robert H. McNamara, Senior Counsel – Regulatory, Nextel Communications, Inc. ("Nextel") and the undersigned met with Tamara Preiss, Judith A. Nitsche, Douglas L. Slotten, Andrew Mulitz, Kathleen O'Neill, and Julie Saulnier of the Pricing Policy Division of the Wireline Competition Bureau regarding the above-captioned proceeding. During that meeting, FCC staff requested certain additional information from Nextel. In response, Nextel is submitting Attachment A, which reports on Nextel's uncollectibles for 2000, 2001, and year-to-date 2002, under seal pursuant to the Protective Order, DA 02-2949, in the above-referenced docket.' As previously explained by Nextel in its opposition to the Verizon direct case in this docket; and as confirmed by the attached data, the level of uncollectibles varies over time but is higher during an economic downturn.

The unredacted, confidential version of this filing is being hand delivered to you, as well as to the FCC staff members listed below. The confidential version will be made available for

¹ Contemporaneously with this request, Nextel is also submitting a request that this information be afforded confidential treatment pursuant to section 0.459 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 0.459, in WC Dockets No. 02-202, 02-304, 02-319, and 02-340.

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inspection pursuant to the terms of the Protective Order at the undersigned's address, as well as at the following address:

Nextel Communications 2001 Edmund Halley Dr. Reston, Virginia 20191 Attn: Legal Department

Arrangements may be made by contacting the undersigned at 202-777-7700.

Pursuant to section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b), two copies of this filing in redacted form *are* being filed for inclusion in the public record.

Sincerely,

Tamara Preiss Andrew Mulitz

cc:

Qnalex International

Judith A. Nitsche Kathleen O'Neill

Douglas L. Slotten
Julie Saulnier (3 copies)

ATTACHMENT A

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